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## Street Art

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An art installation in a park, where people answer the prompt "Trusting Myself Means:" There were Sharpies available, so anyone could join the project. I stood there reading everyone's answers for about an hour. It was beautiful. Seeing the messages that strangers wrote, I found myself moved. Feeling such a connection to complete strangers is what art is all about.



I saw this art on the wall of an alleyway in Seattle. This wall caught my attention with its vibrant colors, but the message is what stuck with me.

"We the Resilient Have been here before"

"We the Indivisible"

The message is short and simple, but deeply powerful. Representing the struggles of Indegenous Peoples in the Pacific Northwest, in a beautiful and approachable way.



"Art and Music Love Each Other"

This message being conveyed through street art is cool. The act of creation as rebellion is so very interesting to me. It is such a beautiful way of protesting. Art and music are some of the strongest ways of conveying ideas and feelings. Protest art and music are some of the strongest examples of using your platform to unite people.